

4 October 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with Lee Pennington of the American Legion

STAT 1. Met with Lee Pennington of the American Legion in company with [ ] of Security. Pennington wanted to discuss a resolution within the American Legion supporting a Joint Committee for Intelligence. He first asked who was behind this resolution to our knowledge. It was suggested that just possibly since the question was raised by the Maryland delegation that Ulius Amoss might be a factor. Pennington was well aware of Amoss and his activities. Thereupon I attempted to explain to Pennington the existing relationships between the Agency and the Congress indicating the problem areas that an intelligence agency does have. We further discussed the new problems that would be presented by a Joint Committee.

2. Mr. Pennington was most interested and seemed to grasp the significance of the information conveyed and while he was not asked to take any position he did state that he would recommend that the resolution be deferred or dropped. He further asked if we could assist him in the event he was required to write a report on the matter in the future. We indicated that we would of course be of any help we could.

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